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## PART I



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

## Health and Family Welfare (G) Department

## CIRCULAR

No. 29724/G1/2012/H&FWD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28th July 2012.

Sub:—Subjects relating to Environmental matters transferred to Environment Department—Instructions—Issued—Regarding.

Government vide G. O. (Ms.) No. 10/2006/GAD dated 6-1-2006 accorded sanctions for the formation of a new department by name Environment Department. After the formation of Environment Department vide G. O. (Ms.) No. 64/2006/GAD dated 16-2-2006 Government allotted the following subjects under the newly created Environment Department in Government

- All matters relating to environment and allied matters dealt with by the nodal department.
- 2. Administration of Biodiversity Act and Rules, Kerala State Biodiversity Board and allied matters.
- 3. Administration of all Acts relating to Environmental Protection.
- 4. Environment awareness creation, ecoclubs allied matters.
- 5. Kerala State Pollution Control Board.
- 6. Environmental issues relating to forests and wildlife.

- 7. Climate change and allied matters.
- 8. River conservation programmes.
- Environmental awards.
- 10. Environmental Research and Development.
- 11. Environment Information System.

Even now lot of petitions relating to Environmental matters, Petitions from Legislative Assembly Committees relating to Environment, Writ Petitions relating to environmental issues, Petitions from Human Rights Commission, MLA's, Panchayat Members relating to environmental issues, Petitions from other Departments, petitions from individuals against pig farm, poultry farm, Diary farm etc. are being received in this department. The Hon'ble Minister for Health is also not in charge of Environment Department.

It is therefore clarified that in future all papers relating to Environmental and allied matters, as listed above may be taken up with Environment Department in Government Secretariat. Any paper received by the Health Department will be forwarded to Environment Department without any processing in Health Department.

Rajeev Sadanandan, *Principal Secretary*.

To

The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam (with C/L).

The Secretary, Legislature Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L).

The Secretary, Kerala State Human Rights Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L).

The Director, Public Relations Department (For wide publicity & for publishing in the website).

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